Remarks

Claim 48 is canceled.

Claims 33 and 42 are amended.

Claims 33, 35, 36, 42, 43 and 47 are now pending.

Claim 33 is amended to be focused on where the body-care products are body oils, body lotions or body gels.

Claim 33 is also amended to remove the limitation "by dissolution in an oil phase or alcoholic phase or water phase." This limitation was inserted in the Amendment filed April 9, 2009.

Claim 33 is also amended to remove a definition for R₃.

Claim 33 is also amended to require e to be from 1 to 3.

Claim 33 is also amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 48.

Claim 42 is amended consistent with claim 33.

No new matter is added.

Claims 33, 35, 36, 42, 43, 47 and 48 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hoffmann, U.S. Pat. No. 5,643,985 in view of Yoshihara, et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,242,689 and Lahanas, U.S. Pat. No. 6,042,839.

Hoffmann is cited as teaching the stabilization of plastic materials by the addition of phenolic antioxidants. The phenolic antioxidants of Hoffmann have some overlap with those of the present claims. Hoffmann teaches the stabilization of recycled plastics (Abstract). The recycled materials are thermoplastics such as polyolefins or styrene polymers (col. 1, lines 23-24).

Yoshihara is cited as teaching cosmetic compositions comprising particles such as polyethylene, polypropylene or polystyrene, col. 2, lines 37-45. The compositions of Yoshihara may optionally comprise additives selected from surfactants, organic solvents, thickening agents, emollients, flavors, preservatives, antioxidants, etc., col. 3, lines 42-53.

Lahanas is cited as teaching cosmetic powder compositions. The preparation of the cosmetic compositions in Lahanas include solubilizing or suspending in water or aqueous/alcohol mixture, col. 3, lines 60-68.

The present claims are now aimed at body oils, body lotions and body gels. The limitations of the present claims cannot be met with this combination of references.

In view of this, Applicants submit that these rejections are addressed and are overcome.

Claims 33, 35, 47 and 48 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Severns, et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,723,435 in view of Andary, et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,719,129.

Severns is cited as teaching fabric care compositions comprising antioxidants. The antioxidants have some overlap with the present antioxidants of claims 33 and 35, col. 2, line 50 through col. 4, line 18.

Andary is cited as teaching the use of antioxidants in cosmetics.

Again, the present claims are now aimed at body oils, body lotions and body gels. The limitations of the present claims cannot be met with this combination of references.

In view of this, Applicants submit that these rejections are addressed and are overcome.

In view of the present amendments and the above remarks, Applicants submit that each of the 35 USC 103(a) rejections are addressed and are overcome.

The Examiner is kindly requested to reconsider and to withdraw the present rejections.

Applicants submit that the present claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be found allowable.

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